

Woodbury County

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Community Health Needs Assessment Snapshot

Promote Healthy Behaviors

Problems/Needs:

- Obesity - Woodbury County obesity rates are higher than both the state and national average.
- Substance Abuse - Although the data is reflecting a positive trend within our youth population, according to the Greater Metro Youth Survey, substance abuse issues continue to be a challenge for youth and adults alike.
- Mental Health - The level of undiagnosed residents continues to be a problem. Also, those that have been diagnosed with some type of mental health condition, face challenges in access to care, support services and assistance in the management of their condition, partly due to lack of Psychiatrists or other licensed mental health professionals in Woodbury County.

Prevent Injuries

Problems/Needs:

None identified

Protect Against Environmental Hazards

Problems/Needs:

- Current Lead Coalition set a goal of testing 100% of children under the age of 5 for lead poisoning, and has not met the goal.

Prevent Epidemics and the Spread of Disease

Problems/Needs:

None identified

Prepare for, Respond to, and Recover from Public Health Emergencies

Problems/Needs:

None identified

Strengthen the Public Health Infrastructure

Problems/Needs:

- The inability to identify or evaluate the dental care needs in both the adult and childhood populations in Woodbury County. Low number of dental offices that provide care for children with Medicaid, uninsured and underinsured in Woodbury County.
- How to support families and individuals through the continuum of life, while maintaining their quality of life and enhancing the availability of support services.
- Economics - Economic Deprivation has been identified through two community driven needs assessment processes, one for CHNA/HIP and the second for Positive Youth Development. The number of individuals and families living in poverty and the published "National Health Rankings" reflect the economic need. Economic standing has been documented to impact the health and well-being of residents.

Community Health Improvement Plan

Goal	Strategies	Who is responsible?	When? (Timeline)
To prevent an increase in obesity rates within Woodbury County through a variety of strategies dealing with nutrition and physical activity.	Enhancing worksite wellness programs within Woodbury County through the collaboration of the Workplace Coordinating Council, Live Healthy Siouxland webpage and 100 Day Challenge.	SDHD	Present - 2016
	Promoting policy and programming within the child and youth population within Woodbury county through the BASICS and EFNEP program, WIC, and implementation of the Healthy Kids Act in area school systems.	ISU Extension, SDHD, Area School Systems	Present - 2016
	Promotion of local foods through Regional Flavors and Farmers Market.	ISU Extension, City of Sioux City.	Present - 2016

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Reduce substance abuse (alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs) in youth and adults within Woodbury County.	Continue collaboration with community partners that drive to eliminate the abuse of alcohol and other drugs within Woodbury County (Siouxland CARES).	SDHD, Siouxland CARES, Jackson Recovery Centers, Other community partners	Present to 2016
	Continue to facilitate HSI (Healthy Siouxland Initiative) meetings on a monthly basis that allows for building content knowledge and the capacity among members regarding substance abuse.	SDHD	Present to 2016

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Reduction in the fragmentation of mental health services for residents. This would include looking at increasing, accessing and funding for services in a coordinated fashion.	Addition of a Family Practice Psychiatrist by SCHC.	Siouxland Community Health Center, Jackson Recovery Centers	Sept 2011
	Support of a mental health summit to explore the array of issues that exist and then work towards coordination of services.	SCHC, Siouxland Mental Health, Woodbury County, Mercy Medical Center, St. Luke's, SDHD	Spring 2012

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To identify dental care needs in both the adult and childhood populations within Woodbury County	Extrapolate data from the Iowa Mission of Mercy (IMOM) event being held in Sioux City Nov. 2011, such as zip code and insurance coverage	Oral Health Task Force	Feb. 2012
	Encourage dental practices to participate in Give Kids A Smile Day or other similar events, and to collect specified data from clients.	Oral Health Task Force	Ongoing
	Awareness by dental providers and parents of the need for oral health services being provided to children at 1 year of age or the eruption of the first tooth.	I-SMILE Coordinator	Ongoing
	Continue partnership between SCHC and Mercy Medical Center that refers patients that report to the emergency room for dental services, including payment assistance. This opportunity could also be explored with St. Luke's	SCHC, Mercy Medical , St. Luke's	Ongoing

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To increase dental opportunities for children that are uninsured or underinsured, children with Medicaid, while raising the awareness of Medicaid provided dental services for children.	Continue to Coordinate the Oral Health Task Force Meetings.	Oral Health Task Force Coordinator	Every other month or as needed.
	Update lists of providers that accept new Medicaid children patients and to provide those lists to SCHC, PH, and other agencies assisting with placement of clients	Oral Health Task Force	List of providers to be updated quarterly through the years.
	Investigate and identify licensing and liability issues that would prevent dentists from staffing mini-Mission of Mercy-type events throughout the year for Medicaid children at their offices or off-site locations.	Oral Health Task Force	January 2012

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Education of elected leaders regarding the impact of economic deprivation on the health and well-being of area residents.	Develop standard criteria for evaluation of potential employers to assure their positions created will be of a "livable" wage level. This will require development of a definition of "livable" wage.	Comprehensive Strategy-Positive Youth Development, The Siouxland Initiative, Woodbury County and City of Sioux City Economic Dev. Departments, Healthy Siouxland Initiative	June 2011
	Support high school graduation requirements that include the successful completion of a course in personal finance.	Comprehensive Strategy- Positive Youth Development, Woodbury County Schools	August 2013
	Work to assure reciprocity in the tri-state area for post-secondary enrollment option credits between NECC, WITCC and Indian Community College.	Pat Johnson, Transition Center-contact, Mary Treglia	January 2014
	Education of elected leaders on the impact that economic deprivation has on residents and coordinating response efforts to improve the standing of residents.	Siouxland District Health Department	April-July 2011
	Provide education on the economic impact of safety net services that are provided to area residents to support their well-being, including the elderly, fixed-income and homeless.	Siouxland WIC, DHS, Local Farmer's Market	February 2012